DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled DISCONTINUOUS PLY FOR RUNFLAT TIRE CONSTRUCTION the specification of which (check one) ___x is attached hereto. as Application Serial No. was filed on and was amended on (if applicable). I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56. I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(c) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below: (Filing Date) (Application Serial No.) (Filing Date) (Application Serial No.) I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of any United States application(s) or §365 of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56 which become between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application: (Filing Date) (Status)(patented, pending, abandoned) (Application Serial No.) (Filing Date) (Status)(patented, pending, abandoned) (Application Serial No.) **POWER OF ATTORNEY** As named inventor(s), I or we hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. 33,925 David L. King Registration No. 29,726 David E. Wheeler Registration No. Registration No. 26,478 Thomas P. Lewandowski 24,499 Robert W. Brown Registration No. Registration No. Howard M. Cohn 25,808 38,744 Registration No. Nancy T. Krawczyk I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statement may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon. Full name of sole or first inventor (given name, family name) Jean-Marie Koeune Inventor's signature <u>Fan-Marie</u> Koeune Residence <u>B-6600 Bastogne Belgium</u> Date Citizenship Belgium. Post Office Address Foy, 7 B-6600 Bastogne Belgium Full name of second joint inventor, if any (given name, family name)

Inventor's signature

Par Claude Lahure

Date 2/1/99 Citizenship Residence L-1329 Luxembourg Post Office Address Rue du Chateau, 67 L-1329 Luxembourg Full name of third joint inventor, if any (given name, family name) Xavier Fraipont Xovice Date <u>82/</u> Inventor's signature ____ Residence B-6690 Vielsalm Belgium Citizenship Post Office Address Goronne, 41 B-6690 Vielsalm Belgium Additional inventors are being named on separately numbered sheets attached hereto.

SEND CORRESPONDENCE TO: Howard M. Cohn c/o Robert W. Brown Dept. 823
The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company
1144 East Market Street Akron, Ohio 44309-3531

DIRECT TELEPHONE CALLS TO:

HOWARD M. COHN, Patent Attorney (216)765-1710